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WON THE TRACK AND RELAY CUPS

Paw Paw Athletes Starred at Gobleville Saturday. Carried off Honors.

LAWRENCE WON BALL GAME

Defeated Gobleville 7 to 6. Howe Won the "All Around" with Ease. Paw Paw Got Nine Firsts.

Last Saturday was the big day of the year for Van Buren county athletes. It was County Field day at Gobleville and there was something doing every minute. Every pupil, teacher and patron in the county who could possibly get away, was there to cheer his favorite contestants to victory.

The outcome of the various sports was gratifying to Paw Paw, whose athletes brought home the Field cup and also the Relay cup.

Paw Paw won 9 firsts, 5 seconds, 3 thirds, or a total of 63½ points.

Bangor won 4 firsts, 3 seconds, 5 thirds, or a total of 34½ points.

Gobleville won 2 seconds, 2 thirds, or a total of 8 points.

Bloomington won 2 seconds, 1 third or a total of 7 points.

Lawrence won 1 second, or a total of 3 points.

Decatur won 1 third—1 point.

George Howe of Paw Paw also won the "All Around" event with perfect ease, winning of Bangor taking second.

Lawrence won the base ball cup, defeating Gobleville in an exciting game by the score of 7 to 6.

Gobleville made all their runs in one inning. It looked as though "the balloon had gone up" for good and that Gobleville would win with ease, but the Lawrence boys pulled themselves together and won the game. Hits—Lawrence 4, Gobleville 4. Errors—Lawrence 7, Gobleville 4. Umpire—Haynes.

Following are the various events of the day and the order in which the point winners finished:

220 YD. HURDLES.
Grimes, Bangor, 1st; Wheeler, Paw Paw, 2nd; Bender, Gobleville, 3rd. Time 28 2-5 seconds.

50 YD. DASH.
Grimes, Bangor, 1st; P. Bender, Gobleville, 2nd; R. Bender, Gobleville, 3rd. Time—5 1-5 seconds.

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DISTRICTS MUST PAY THE TUITION

New School Law of Interest to Country Students. All Can Get High School Education.

The law passed by the last legislature providing that districts may pay the tuition of certain pupils to one of three nearest high schools becomes operative this fall. Various questions have arisen concerning its application, most of which have been passed upon and interpreted by those whose opinions are credited. For the benefit of parents and others interested we give the law and some notes on its present interpretation as obtained from best authority.

Act 65 of Public Acts of 1909:
An act to provide for the payment of tuition and transportation to another district of children who have completed the eighth grade in any school district; and to repeal act number one hundred ninety of the Public Acts of 1903, and all other acts and parts of acts in anywise contravening the provisions of the act. The People of the State of Michigan enact:

SECTION 1. The board of education of any school district which does not maintain

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BOOSTING FOR THE BIG CHAUTAUQUA

Date August 20 to 28 Inclusive, Meets Approval of People. Will Bring Array of Talent to Paw Paw.

The announcement that Paw Paw was to have a Chautauqua again this year has been met with the hearty approval and satisfaction of the people of Paw Paw and vicinity. Everyone feels like putting their shoulder to the wheel and assist to make this the best Chautauqua ever held in the state. The change of date is also approved as it will be much more convenient for the farming community to attend the sessions in August than in July. As announced last week, the dates are from August 20 to 28 both inclusive. That gives nine full days and 18 entertainments instead of eight days and 16 entertainments, as last year. The price of tickets, however, will remain the same. Season tickets are \$2.00 for the entire course and \$1.00 for children's tickets. They will soon be in the hands of the business places of the village and should be spoken for early.

The talent secured this year will be fully up to the standard of last year and even better in some respects. Every number will be good, but the star features will be Col. W. J. Bryan, Senator Doliver, Hon. Walter M. Chandler and Mrs. Florence E. Maybrick. The subjects will be non-political in nature and everyone a masterpiece.

WILL EXTEND A ROYAL WELCOME

To Pioneers on Friday, June 10. Hartford Planning to Make 40th Reunion Notable Event.

Hartford is planning to extend a royal welcome to the pioneers who journey to that village to attend the fortieth annual reunion of the Van Buren County Pioneer Association on Friday, June 10.

Village President H. M. Olney has been selected as chairman of the day, and he is sparing no time or expense to make the day one of genuine pleasure and profit. A colored quartet from Chicago has been secured for the day, and Miss Mae Everett of Ann Arbor, formerly of Hartford and a talented soloist, has consented to be present and render several selections.

The speaker of the day will be Hon. Philip Colgrove of Hastings, Michigan. Mr. Colgrove has few peers in the state of Michigan as a public speaker, and his address will be of special interest.

The exercises will be held in Ely park, the beauty spot of Hartford. In case of inclement weather, however, adjournment will be taken to the town hall.

Early arrangements would indicate that the fortieth pioneer reunion will eclipse any former event of a similar nature ever held in the county. It will be interesting not only to the pioneers but to the younger generations as well. All roads lead to Hartford on Friday, June 10.

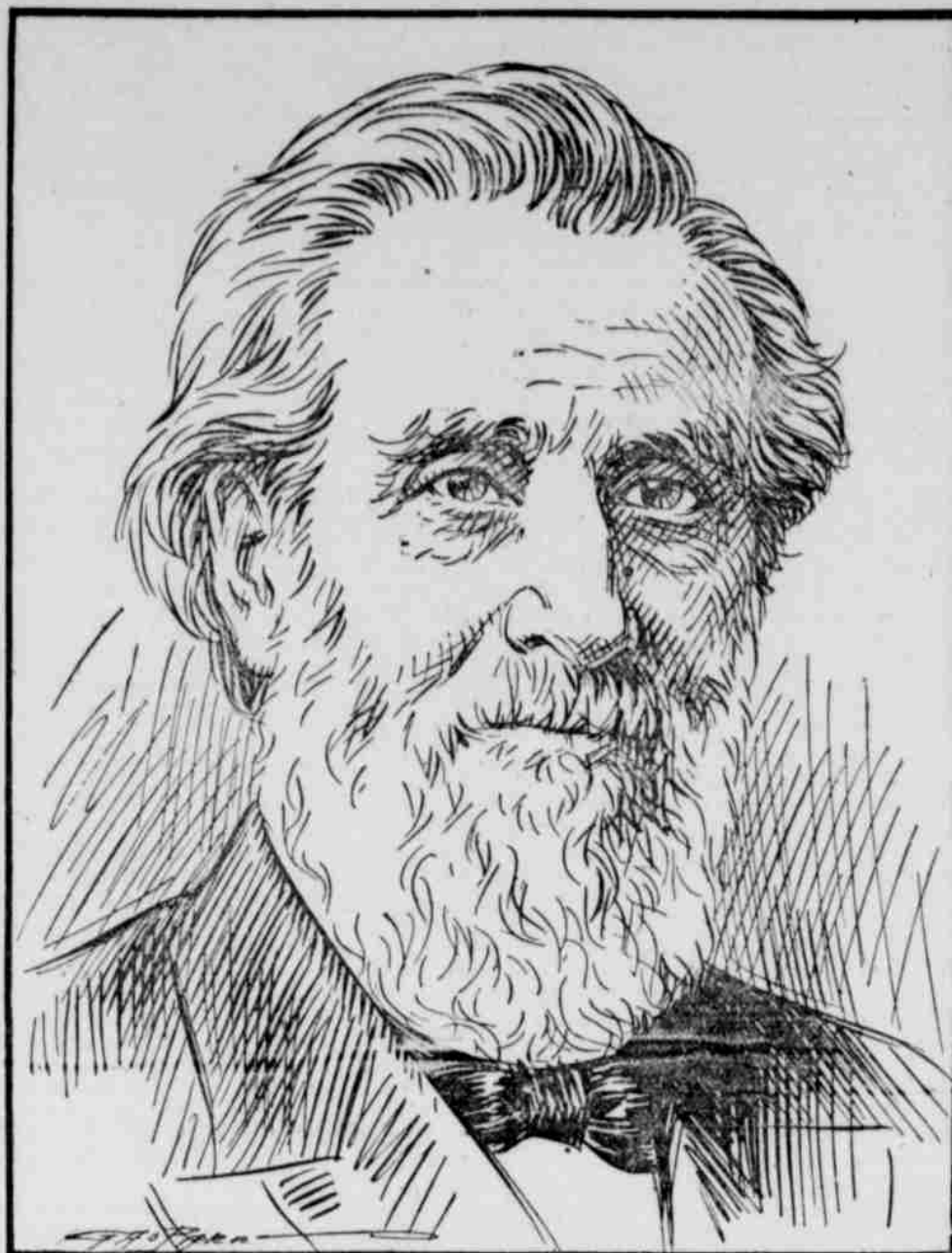
AFRAID OF THE DYNAMITE

W. H. Averill Lost Shop and Tools by Fire. Box of Dynamite Prevented Extinguishing of Flames.

W. H. Averill of Almena lost his machine shop and a valuable set of tools by fire last Monday. He was working in his shop and fire started from a spark in a pile of shavings. Mr. Averill ran for a pail of water, but when he returned the fire had crept so near a box containing dynamite that he dare not enter the shop. The dynamite exploded with a terrific report, but did no damage. The loss is estimated at \$1,000, partially insured.

WORK AT I. O. O. F.

There will be work in the 2nd degree at the I. O. O. F. lodge rooms this Friday evening. Election of officers. Past grand officers are urged to be present.



ISAAC STEPHENSON.
United States Senator from Wisconsin.

CLUB ENTERTAINED THE LADIES

Fellowship Club gave Royal Entertainment for Ladies at the Home of E. G. Thayer, Wednesday.

The Fellowship club entertained the ladies as a fitting close to the club meetings of the year. Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Thayer generously opened their beautiful home for the occasion, for which the committee having the matter in charge, and all those who were present, are grateful.

The affair was held on Wednesday evening, and there was a gathering which taxed the house to its capacity. It seemed as though every lady who had been favored with an invitation was there, and the hearty manner in which each number on the program was applauded showed their appreciation.

The program was varied. C. W. Reynolds toasted "The Ladies"; Dr. W. F. Hoyt followed with "The Fellowship Club." Judge Des Voignes then found time to relax the strenuous labors of sitting in a high backed chair long enough to unloosen the flood gates of his humor. It just oozed from every sentence, and the fulsome flattery with which he saturated a member of the committee hasn't been squeezed out of him yet. The balance of the program was largely musical, and consisted of a duet by Miss Mary Cooley and Larue Mosier, solo by Miss Wood, piano selections by Leland Gorton, and congregational singing, in which everyone "whooped it up" for "Auld Lang Syne."

Mrs. Eaton gave some of her best readings, and the hearty echoes showed her to be a prime favorite.

After ice cream and cake there was more singing, visiting and reading, until it occurred to the people that if they would get up in the morning they would have to go to bed, and they went home full of good things.

LAST GAME OF THE SEASON

South Haven High School Team Comes to Paw Paw for Return Game Saturday. Teams Evenly Matched.

What will probably be the last game of the season for the Paw Paw high school team will be at Athletic park Saturday afternoon, June 4, at 3 p. m. The opposing team will be South Haven. The locals played South Haven two weeks ago and lost by the score of 8 to 7 in a ten inning contest. Those who witnessed the game said it was the best of the year. The teams are evenly matched, but Paw Paw hopes to defeat the South Havenites in the return game. Everyone should turn out to witness the return game. Remember it is the last school game of the year.

MEMORIAL ADDRESSES.

Judge Des Voignes went to Union City, Monday, to deliver the Memorial day address. Mrs. Des Voignes accompanied him as far as Cassopolis, where she spent the day. Attorney A. Lynn Free was also a member of the party as far as Cassopolis, where he stopped to make a like address. M. H. Young made the trip for the party with his automobile, returning to Paw Paw Monday evening.

LIGHTNING CAUSE OF MOST OF LOSS

Directors of Farmers' Mutual Fire Insurance Co. held Meet Tuesday. Losses Very Light This Year.

Isaac Monroe of Lawrence, C. B. Charles of Bangor, Milton Pugsley of Paw Paw, John Marshall of Porter, D. C. Hodge of South Haven, and S. A. Breed of Almena, directors of the Van Buren County Farmers' Mutual Fire Insurance company, held their regular meeting at the office of the secretary, M. D. Buskirk, on Tuesday. The regular June assessment was made and losses adjusted.

The losses since January 1, 1910, were only \$250, while for the corresponding time last year they amounted to over \$4,000. Losses last year were quite heavy, owing to the many terrific lightning storms. Eighty-seven per cent of the losses for last year were caused by lightning. This fact would indicate that the company was exceedingly careful in writing policies, and that dangerous risks were not taken.

The company has made a substantial growth during the past year, and is in a flourishing condition at the present time.

McCABES HAD A NARROW ESCAPE

Horse Became Frightened and Ran Away. Dashed into Barn, Threw Occupants from Buggy.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry W. McCabe had a narrow escape from a serious injury and possible death last Monday. As it was they both received several painful bruises and strains.

They were out driving with a single horse and buggy. When going up the slope near George Benwire's place an automobile came over the hill, frightening the horse, which started to run. Henry turned into Benwire's yard, but lost control of the horse. The frightened animal jumped over a two by four timber suspended on posts to keep people from driving on the door yard. One side of the thills dropped on the horse's heels and he dashed for the barn door and broke loose from the buggy when the vehicle struck the barn door. Mr. McCabe's head struck the timber over the door and Mrs. McCabe was thrown from the buggy to the barn floor, bruising her face quite badly. Henry's head was also badly bruised, but he was able to fix up the buggy with a borrowed pair of thills, put a borrowed harness on the horse and drive home. It takes a pretty hard bump to put Henry out of business. Mrs. McCabe was badly frightened from the shock, but no serious effects are anticipated. It was a close call, however.

The exercises of the week will commence on Wednesday, June 8, at the opera house. At 9:30 a. m. will occur the grade exercises of the 1st, 2nd and 3rd grades. Everyone is always interested in the advancement and progress of the little folks and the opera house will be crowded.

On Wednesday evening at the opera house the 8th grade promotional exercises will be held. A splendid program has been prepared and will conclude with a class play entitled "Royalty in Old Virginia."

On Thursday at 9 a. m. the 4th, 5th, 6th and 7th grades will hold sway. The program will consist of songs, recitations, marches and drills. Teachers and pupils have worked hard to make the exercises a success.

The commencement exercises will be held at the rink on Thursday evening. There are 22 graduates in the class. Those selected to participate in the exercises are Mary E. Shaefer, Rosalia Waters, Lynn Lake, Lucile Butler, Vivian McCabe, Katherine Coie, Robert Dillon, Irene Benwire and Ruth Snow. Salomon's orchestra, Miss Cooley, Miss Cole and Mr. Mosier will furnish music.

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THE BEES HELD POSSESSION

Of Attic in Sherman Residence. Work Men Discovered Swarm of Bees When Repairing House.

J. D. Sherman is making extensive improvements on his residence on Grempe street. The house is being raised, overhauled and rebuilt. A large porch will also be erected on the front. The location on the banks of Maple Lake is ideal and when completed Mr. Sherman will have one of the most attractive homes in the village.

When tearing down the house workmen discovered a swarm of bees, which had taken possession and were nicely housed in one corner of the attic. When they came or how long they had been enjoying the upper story of the Sherman home is not known. Walter Durkee hived the bees and work on the building, under the supervision of Contractor Young, was again resumed. A considerable quantity of honey was secured.

COMMENCEMENT DANCE.

The young people will give a Commencement dancing party at Longwell's opera house on Thursday evening, June 9.

REMEMBER THE SOLDIER DEAD

Fitting and Appropriate Ceremonies in Honor the Boys in Blue.

REV. OWEN GAVE ADDRESS

Gave Touching and Eloquent Tribute to Memory of Heroes. Program of Unusual Merit.

Another Memorial day has come and gone. Again the citizens of a grateful country have united to commemorate by appropriate exercises, the deeds of valor and heroism of the heroes of the war. The ranks of the veterans that are left are becoming thinned; their footsteps are growing slower and their shoulders bent. It will not be many years until the observance of Memorial day will fall upon the younger generations.

The day at Paw Paw was cold and disagreeable. Notwithstanding the inclement weather however, the day was observed in a fitting and becoming manner.

At 9:30 o'clock in the morning, members of the G. A. R. and W. R. C. formed in line at headquarters and led by the cornet band, marched to the park at the waterworks, where a suitable monument, appropriately draped and decorated, had been built. Here the beautiful ritualistic services were rendered in a touching and impressive manner.

In the afternoon, members of the Post and W. R. C. again marched in the same order to the opera house where the program for the day was concluded. The exercises here were without doubt the equal, if not the best ever heard in Paw Paw on a similar occasion.

The opera house was packed to its capacity, and the G. A. R. and W. R. C. with their banners and badges held the places of honor. A prayer by Rev. G. Gilbert Stansell and a selection by the Paw Paw band preceded the program proper. A patriotic song by a male quartet, a solo by Miss Wood, a sparkling reading on the grand old army boys by Margaret Cole, and a solo by Miss Martha Mason, all of which were greeted by merited applause, were a fitting introduction to the Rev. C. L. Owen, who for three quarters of an hour held his audience

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UNTIMELY DEATH OF ARTHUR BIRD

State Dairy and Food Commissioner. Was Prominent in Political and Financial Circles.

A. C. Bird, state dairy and food commissioner, died at his home in Lansing last week, of heart failure. He had been ill of pneumonia for some time, and it was thought that he could not recover, but he rallied and appeared to be improving, when his heart action failed, and he gradually sank into death. He was 46 years of age.

Mr. Bird had been closely identified with the political interests of Michigan for several years, and state dairy and food commissioner since 1905. He was one of the founders of the Farmers' club of Michigan, and one of the prime movers in the organization of the state association of farmers' clubs. He was at one time secretary of the Michigan agricultural college, and was for two years member of the state board of agriculture. He had been fortunate in his investments and held large property interests in Lansing and elsewhere.

He was a member of the masonic fraternity and had a large circle of friends throughout the state. He is survived by a widow and two children.

Jury Finished Work of Term. Contested Chancery Cases Next Week. Order in Which They Come

The jury in the circuit court have had rather a short session this term. They reported for duty on Monday, and Thursday all but one panel were discharged. The balance are now hearing the case of David Lytle vs. Fred Young et al., an appeal case from Lawton, which is the last jury case of the term. The business disposed of since the last issue of the True Northerner is as follows:

Judgment in assumpsit in Blackburn Brown Co. vs. David E. Cleveland in the sum of \$156.51.

Judgment in assumpsit in Phoenix Basket Co. vs. Thos. F. Dodge in sum of \$580.43.

Order entered for new trial in Emory Graves vs. S. M. Trowbridge. Judge Des Voignes announces that commencing on Monday, June 6, contested chancery cases will be heard in the following order:

Board of Health of Paw Paw vs. Fred B. Ochock. Samuel T. Dunkley vs. South Haven Dock & Transportation Co. Geo. W. Williams vs. Fred Lounsbury. H. L. Root vs. Alanson Swim. James McDowell vs. Elida McDowell. Rose Deanor vs. Ayres Deanor. Jacob Van Wynen vs. Luella Van Wynen.

No Sunday Ball in Paw Paw. Strong Team Been Organized Interest in Sports Should Revive

The prospects are that Paw Paw will have a first class ball team this season, and that interest in the national sport will again be revived in Paw Paw.

It has been reported that the club was organized for the purpose of playing Sunday base ball and, in fact, the promoters did talk of Sunday ball when the preliminary arrangements were being made. The idea has been abandoned, however, and there will be no Sunday ball in Paw Paw. This announcement should insure the patronage and encouragement of every one in Paw Paw. A ball team will do as much as any other one thing to bring crowds here, and the proposition should meet with the approval and

support of the citizens.

S. O. Kenyon and Jas. O'Brien will probably be the permanent managers of the team. Both are "dyed in the wool" fans, and know base ball from A to Z. The management plans to play two games in Paw Paw each week. Suits have been ordered, players signed and preliminary arrangements completed. It is hoped that a series of games can be arranged with teams to be organized in other towns in the county.

It is now up to the citizens to get busy, help boost the game, and make Paw Paw what it once was—the center of base ball interest in the county.